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In re Application of: J.C. Aguilar Rubido et al
Serial No.: 09/857,402
Confirmation No.: 3056
Filed: June 1, 2001
For: Preparations Containing Virus-Like Particles
As Immunopotentiators Administered
Through The Mucosa

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

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x 9=	\$0.00	OR	x 18=	\$
x 42=	\$		x 84=	\$
x 140=	\$		x 280=	\$
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003.
A petition for a one-month extension of time is filed herewith.

Entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.